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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the

application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (previously presented): A granular pesticidal composition coated with a

thermosetting resin selected from the group consisting of a polyurethane resin and an epoxy

resin, wherein when the thermosetting resin is a polyurethane resin, the granular pesticidal

composition is obtainable by the method according to claim 6, and when the thermosetting resin

is an epoxy resin, the granular pesticidal composition is obtainable by the method accord to any

one of claims 16-18.

2. (original): The granular pesticidal composition according to claim 1, wherein the

thermosetting resin is a polyurethane resin.

3. (previously presented): The granular pesticidal composition according to claim 1,

wherein the thermosetting resin is present in a proportion of from 0.5 to 15 parts by weight based

on 100 parts by weight of a pesticidal active ingredient-containing granule to be coated.

4. (canceled).

5. (previously presented): The granular pesticidal composition according to claim 1,

wherein the thermosetting resin has a water absorption ratio of not more than 5%.

6. (previously presented): A method for manufacturing a granular pesticidal

composition coated with a polyurethane resin, comprising the steps of (a) adding a mixture

containing 0.05 to 1.5 parts by weight of (1) polyisocyanate having tri- or higher isocyanate

groups and polyol, (2) polyisocyanate and polyol having tri- or higher hydroxy groups, or (3)

polyisocyanate having tri- or higher isocyanate groups and polyol having tri- or higher hydroxy

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groups for preparing a thermosetting resin to 100 parts by weight of a pesticidal active ingredient-containing granule to be coated; and (b) repeating step (a).

- 7. (previously presented): The granular pesticidal composition according to claim 2, wherein the thermosetting resin is present in a proportion of from 0.5 to 15 parts by weight based on 100 parts by weight of a pesticidal active ingredient-containing granule to be coated.
 - 8-9. (canceled).
- 10. (previously presented): A granular pesticidal composition according to claim 2, wherein the thermosetting resin has a water absorption ratio of not more than 5 %.
- 11. (previously presented): A granular pesticidal composition according to claim 3, wherein the thermosetting resin has a water absorption ratio of not more than 5%.
 - 12. (canceled).
- 13. (previously presented): A granular pesticidal composition according to claim 7, wherein the thermosetting resin has a water absorption ratio of not more than 5%.
 - 14-15. (canceled).
- 16. (withdrawn): A method for manufacturing a granular pesticidal composition coated with an epoxy resin, comprising the steps of (a) adding a mixture containing 0.05 to 1.5 parts by weight of phenol or alcohol and epichlorohydrin for preparing the epoxy resin to 100 parts by weight of the pesticidal active ingredient-containing granule to be coated; and (b) repeating step (a).
- 17. (withdrawn): A method for manufacturing a granular pesticidal composition coated with an epoxy resin, comprising the steps of (a) adding a mixture containing 0.05 to 1.5 parts by weight of carboxylic acid and epichlorohydrin for preparing the epoxy resin to 100 parts

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by weight of the pesticidal active ingredient-containing granule to be coated; and (b) repeating step (a).

18. (withdrawn): A method for manufacturing a granular pesticidal composition coated with an epoxy resin, comprising the steps of (a) adding a mixture containing 0.05 to 1.5 parts by weight of amine, cyanuric acid or hydantoin and epichlorohydrin for preparing the epoxy resin to 100 parts by weight of the pesticidal active ingredient-containing granule to be coated; and (b) repeating step (a).

19. (new): The method for manufacturing a granular pesticidal composition coated with a polyurethane resin according to claim 6, wherein step (a) comprises adding a mixture containing 0.05 to 1.5 parts by weight of polyisocyanate having tri- or higher isocyanate groups and polyol having tri- or higher hydroxy groups for preparing a thermosetting resin to 100 parts by weight of a pesticidal active ingredient-containing granule to be coated.